

MESA FARMER AT THE CAPITAL

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bringing it closer to market. There are now about seventy-five dwelling houses in the mining camp and a large amusement hall in course of construction. I passed there the other openings will be made to other mines.

"The Yankee people are acquiring title to all of the coal lands in the immediate vicinity. They are giving the farmers from \$5 to \$8 an acre. I am told for the coal privileges under the lands leaving the farmers the surface which is worth from \$8 to \$10 an acre. There are three openings to the mines now in operation and openings will be made to their mines.

Two New Railroads in Operation.

"Raton's growth in the past year has been astonishing. This is largely due to the building of two new railroads there. The Santa Fe, Raton and Eastern railroad is in operation between Raton and Yankee and rails are being laid to Des Moines. Two freight and one passenger train are being run daily over the completed part of the road from the coal camp to Raton. The St. Louis, Rocky Mountain and Pacific railroad is running trains between Raton and Cimarron, and the track has already been laid to Ute Creek, fourteen miles above Cimarron.

"The St. Louis, Rocky Mountain and Pacific railroad opens up and develops a vast area of coal and timber lands that have heretofore been inaccessible. There have been in the neighborhood of seventy-five cars of cattle shipped from Cimarron over the new railroad to Kansas City and different points in Colorado and Kansas for feeding purposes. A round house and machine shop are being built at Cimarron."

Suggests Plan Road Commissioners.

"I saw an editorial in the New Mexican a few days ago advocating the appointment of a territorial road commissioner. Not having investigated the matter thoroughly and jumping at conclusions I am not in favor of it. I think a better plan would be to divide our counties into road districts composed of the different precincts and every general election held the people should select three men in their respective districts to act as road supervisors without compensation the same as school directors and that the general road and bridge levy that is authorized by law be apportioned by the county treasurer the same as the school money is now distributed by the county superintendent of schools. At these general elections the people if they so desire in each district might vote on an extra levy. Such levy when collected would be placed to the credit of that particular district. In that way we would have men acquainted with each locality and with its needs and who would be personally interested in having good roads.

Colfax County in Good Financial Condition.

"The finances of Colfax county are in good shape. Our general county fund is the only one in which care will have to be exercised in its management. This credit of the county is very good. The county commissioners have just refunded \$28,000 worth of 7 per cent bonds into five per cent bonds with a bonus besides of something over \$400."

"BOOST" YOUR TOWN.

Every chance you get, boost your town. If you are a merchant, and a stranger enters your place of business, be he tourist or capitalist, make his acquaintance and start into boosting Albuquerque with all the energy and vim there is in you. Talk to him as though you were a book agent trying to sell him a "morocco bound volume." If he is seeking health, and desires to locate in a place where he will be benefited, impress upon his mind that he needn't go any further; that he has arrived in a town that is famous the world over as a health resort. If he is looking for a place to invest his money, point out the vast opportunities that lie in your city for him to double his money. Let boosting forever be your motto.

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Married at Estancia.

H. B. Miller, fireman on the Swastika route, returned Friday with his bride, who was Miss Lulu Bucklen of Estancia.

Mr. Miller went to Estancia a few days ago, and the wedding occurred at the residence of the bride's parents. Cimarron people will welcome the young people heartily, and the best wishes of a host of friends greet them on their home-coming.

Sunshine Territory As a Mining Field

The El Paso Herald, hits the nail on the head in the following recent editorial:

"New Mexico, so long overlooked by the crowd in the rush for profitable mining fields, is coming to the front. Some big interests are taking hold in the territory, and the next five years will witness, not a revival of the old boom days but something far better than that, the erection of the mining industry in New Mexico on a firm basis of proved properties, unlimited capital and intelligent direction.

"Like the pot of gold at the rainbow's end, the richest mineral seems to the speculative and inexperienced eye always to lie over the next ridge, or in the next county, or beyond the international boundary. The truth is, as careful investigators are finding out, that in New Mexico there are as good mining propositions as any that are obtainable at fair price in Mexico and prices in New Mexico in general range far below prices for properties of like excellence in better developed territories, simply because of the timidity of capital.

"With unprecedented activity in mining everywhere, and in all metal markets, this is New Mexico's chance. Her silver, copper, lead and zinc should be opened up on a big, broad scale, and her mineral resources turned into the world's industry and converted into wealth. By applying modern scientific methods and broad-gauged principles of management districts in New Mexico that have been practically unknown or almost despised will take their place among the richest producers in the west."

TAOS PUEBLO AND INHABITANTS

In the beautiful Taos valley, in New Mexico, less than 350 miles from Denver, and reached from Servilleta, a station on the Santa Fe branch of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, is the ancient Indian village, Pueblo de Taos.

The two great buildings—one five and the other seven stories high, inhabited by more than 400 people—are considered the most interesting as well as the most perfect specimens of early Indian architecture. Inhabited no one knows how long, but certainly more than 500 years, they are in a perfect state of preservation.

The Indians, who have lived at Taos for generations are simple, quiet and peaceful and in a small way tillers of the soil. Aside from short journeys into the neighboring mountains, they never leave the Taos valley.

Like all Indian tribes, they are very superstitious, believing in all kinds of signs and workings of supernatural powers. Although taught the Catholic religion by the Spaniards and using the Mexican language even more freely than their own the priests of whom there are several are all French.

The dances, constitute an important feature in all of their worship or of prayer to the Almighty Chief. Of festival days there are many, the most important being the feast of San Geronimo, celebrated on the 30th of September.

In the early morning of St. Jerome's day, a black-robed Indian makes a recitation from the top of the pueblo to the assembled multitude below.

In the plaza stands a pine tree pole fifty feet in height, and from a cross-piece at the top dangles a live sheep. Beside the sheep, a garland of such fruit and vegetables as the valley produces, together with a basket of bread and grain, hangs from the pole.

The bell in the little adobe chapel sounds and a few of the Indians go in to mass. After the services are concluded, a procession is formed and marches to the race track, which is a quarter of a mile in length. The runners of whom there are fifty are naked except for a breech cloth, and are painted no two alike. Fifty other

NEW QUARANTINE STATION.

From the Raton Range.

The City of Raton and Colfax County have erected and equipped an elegant quarantine station at the cost of two thousand dollars which is now ready for use.

The building is 32x24 feet, built of cement and stone, it is divided into two wards for male and female, furnishings consists of 12 hospital cots with the best of bedding.

Bath, laboratory, fumigating room kitchen and toilets comprise the other departments.

The kitchen is well furnished, with the other modern conveniences making the building a model for its purpose.

The board of health advised its erection because of the different contagious diseases in the surrounding cities.

They have made arrangement to place a competent nurse in charge if the occasion demands it.

The Maxwell Land Co. donated one and a half acres of land one mile east of the city on which this modern building is located.

The Cimarron News-Press will be the stockman's paper, the fruit grow-

ers' paper, and a newspaper for everybody, except the knackers. It will be a booster's paper. If you subscribe it will do you good. It is sold at two dollars a year. Address News-Press, Cimarron, N. M.

Many merchants do not advertise their business sufficiently because they think of the cost of newspaper space, never stopping to consider that newspaper space, properly used, is an interest paying investment. Many times a merchant will crowd a full page "ad" into a quarter page space, thinking that he is saving money by so doing. On the contrary, he is cheating himself and he will find that instead of saving money he is producing a loss in his business. People like to read large, well-displayed advertisements, and they hesitate a long time about reading condensed or crowded "ads" poorly displayed. Enlarge your ad and increase your business.

M. Aronson was a passenger to Dawson on Sunday's train from Raton.

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